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OFFICALS URGE CAUTION WITH FIRE, FIREWORKS

With hot temperatures and ample fuels wildland fire is only a spark away. Fire officials are urging caution in the use of fire and especially fireworks as our July 24th holiday festivities approach.

"The July holidays are some of our most worrisome times," says State Forester Joel Frandsen. "All fires need three things, oxygen, fuel and an ignition source, and people often provide that source of ignition."

Fire restrictions are currently in place only in Washington County. Those restrictions prohibit open fires of any kind, except campfires in approved fire pits and grills in improved campgrounds or permanent places of habitation. Devices fueled by petroleum or LPG products are still allowed in all locations. Smoking is also prohibited, except in an enclosed vehicle or developed recreation site, or in an area three feet in diameter cleared of vegetation to mineral soil. Other prohibitions include any kind of fireworks, tracer ammunition, or other incendiary device.

"We hope people remember that fireworks and vegetation are not a good mix," adds Frandsen. "We want everyone to enjoy their holiday outings, but to do so safely."

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